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3 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
4 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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6 RICK LOVELIEN, et al.,

7 Plaintiffs,

8 v.

9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

10 Defendant.  
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Case No. 2:18-cv-02110-MMD-CWH

**ORDER**

12 Presently before the court is plaintiffs Rick Lovelien and Steven Stewart's pro se motion  
13 to stay filing of pro hac vice application (ECF No. 27), filed on December 17, 2018. Defendants  
14 filed a response (ECF No. 28) on December 18, 2018. The court construes defendants' response  
15 as a response and counter motion.

16 This case was filed in the District of Columbia by attorney Larry Klayman on behalf of  
17 plaintiffs and subsequently was transferred to this district. (Order (ECF No. 13).) Mr. Klayman  
18 has not filed a pro hac vice application in this district for this case. Plaintiffs request a 30-day  
19 stay of the filing deadline for the pro hac vice application, representing that they do not have  
20 counsel and they need time to consider whether to continue with this case in this district. The  
21 government does not oppose plaintiffs' motion to stay the deadline for any counsel to file a pro  
22 hac vice application, but it requests that all case deadlines be stayed for 30 days. It also requests  
23 that its response to the complaint be due 30 days after the plaintiffs secure counsel authorized to  
24 practice in this court or notify the court they intend to proceed pro se.

25 Having read and considered the parties' arguments, and good cause appearing, the court  
26 will stay all deadlines in this case for 30 days. Following the expiration of the stay, the parties  
27 must meet and confer and file a joint status report regarding plaintiffs' efforts to secure counsel  
28 and whether plaintiffs intend to proceed with this case.

1 If plaintiffs intend to proceed with this case, in the joint status report, the parties should  
2 propose a date certain for defendants to answer or otherwise respond to the complaint. The court  
3 declines to set a deadline for answering or otherwise responding to the complaint that is triggered  
4 by the date plaintiffs secure counsel or decide to proceed pro se. Defendants' deadline to answer  
5 or otherwise respond to the complaint will continue to be stayed pending further court order  
6 setting that deadline.

7 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that plaintiffs Rick Lovelien and Steven Stewart's pro se  
8 motion to stay filing of pro hac vice application (ECF No. 27) is GRANTED to the extent the  
9 court will stay all deadlines in this case until January 18, 2019, which is 30 days from the date of  
10 this order. The motion is denied in all other respects.

11 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that defendants' countermotion (ECF No. 28) is GRANTED  
12 to the extent the court will stay all deadlines for 30 days. The countermotion is denied in all other  
13 respects.

14 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that defendants' deadline to answer or otherwise respond to  
15 the complaint is STAYED pending further court order.

16 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties must meet and confer and file a joint status  
17 report at stated in this order by January 31, 2019.

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19 DATED: December 19, 2018

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23 C.W. HOFFMAN, JR.  
24 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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